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TUNISIAN PRESIDENT CALLS FOR ARAB-ISRAEL PEACE AND CO-EXISTENCE

PARIS, April 12. (JTA) -- President Habib Bourguiba, of Tunisia, called today for the creation of "a climate of peace and co-existence between Israel and the Arab states." In separate interviews over the French radio and in two of the most influential daily newspapers here--Le Monde and Le Figaro-- the Tunisian leader reiterated, strengthened and enlarged upon his call for Arab-Israeli rapprochement, which he first issued in Jordanian Jerusalem a month ago.

In all three statements, he urged a return to the United Nations Palestine Partition plan of 1947. In the interview in Le Figaro, he added: "It is equally necessary to recognize the United Nations decision creating the State of Israel," declaring: "It is to everybody's interest to respect the legality of the United Nations. For the Arab refugees, it would mean a possibility to recuperate part of the lands from which they have been chased. Even more important, this would establish a climate of peace and co-existence."

Summarizing his past statements on the subject of an Arab-Israeli detente, which have raised many protests in the Arab press, President Bourguiba said: "What I have suggested is mutual concessions and satisfactions. Other Arab heads of state agree with what I have said, but they excite public opinion and thus create a difficult situation for themselves."

He was critical of President Nasser of Egypt, charging the latter with "lack of realism and a wish to create a sham unity of the Arab League, with a common capital and under the leadership of a single man." "Due to such day-dreaming," he said, "Egypt has met with difficulties in the past."

Urges Arabs to be Realistic; Says Their Policies Failed for 17 Years

In the interview in Le Monde, Mr. Bourguiba declared that "reason must prevail over sentiments and hatred" in the search for a solution to "the Palestine problem." "As far as Palestine is concerned," the Arabs "must be realists and overstep the phase of recriminations. We must take into consideration changed periods, have a humane sense, and not let sentiments and hatred supplant reason."

Commenting on the Arab reaction to his recent statements on Israel, Mr. Bourguiba declared: "Many people have understood me. Some Arab refugees from Palestine have applauded my stand. It happens, however, that Nasser was in the midst of an electoral campaign when I made my statements. The other Arab states did not dare tell him 'no.'"

Asserting that time favored his views on the question, President Bourguiba said that he believed that the Arab policies which have been failing for 17 years cannot succeed now. He said that one result of his voicing new views on the subject was that the Arabs would be compelled to ponder his statements.

He put forward as one possible course of action the application of the boundaries for Israel recommended by the United Nations in 1947. If these boundaries were imposed, he declared, "Israel would thus have to give up territories which they have occupied across this border--namely, the regions of Jaffa, Acre and Nazareth, and the refugees would be able to return to their homes."

Asserting that "naturally, the Israelis would not agree to this," the Tunisian President said that "at least it would place the Arabs in a better position," adding that the continued repetition by the Arabs of the charge that the existence of the State of Israel was an injustice, "even if this is true, is of little help."

Stressing that, in voicing these views on the Arab-Israel dispute "all I did was say aloud what many think quietly," Mr. Bourguiba said that many Arab regimes are not stable enough and fear Nasser's enmity.

ESHKOL CHARGES WORLD WITH FAILURE TO REACT TO THREATS BY ARABS

BONN, April 12. (JTA) -- Israel Prime Minister Levi Eshkol declared here in a taped television interview today that "the world has not fulfilled its commitments with regard to Arab proclamations to destroy Israel." He charged all those who helped the Arab aggressor with grave responsibility. He noted that the constant threats against Israel emanated initially from Cairo.

BRITISH ARMY MAN SAYS ARABS TRIED TO BUY SECRETS ABOUT ISRAEL

LONDON, April 12. (JTA) -- A British Army Department staff sergeant who was arrested for selling top-secret documents to staff members of the Iraqi and Egyptian embassies here, admitted today that he was asked by the Arab officials to furnish them with documents relating to Israel. He said that, since there was little chance of obtaining material on Israel, he had furnished them with "other documents."

Sgt. Percy Sidney Allen, 33, who said that he was desperate for money because his wife was hospitalized, confessed that he sold the top-secret documents, which were not identified, to Maj. Abdul Hafidh Khazal, assistant military attache at the Iraqi embassy, and Mustapha Hassan el Kabani, of the Egyptian embassy. He said that the Iraqi diplomat had asked him particularly for documents on Israel, but that he furnished the "other" material and had received 75 pounds sterling (\$210).

GENEVA CHARGES SYRIA DENIES RIGHTS TO JEW ACCUSED AS 'SPY'

GENEVA, April 12. (JTA) -- The daily newspaper, Tribune of Geneva, called on Syrian President Hafez today to restore legal guarantees recognized throughout the world in the case of Elie Cohen, the Syrian Jew who has been charged with spying for Israel. The paper said that two French lawyers were not permitted to see the accused during his trial.

Asserting that President Hafez had promised to grant the lawyers an audience, the paper declared: "Now the Syrian head of state can decide if the case against Elie Cohen will develop according to internationally honored rules ensuring that justice will not be made a mockery. The rules demand that any accused, whatever his crime, may benefit from legal advice, and that freedom of lawyers be respected by any tribunal, ordinary or extraordinary."

ISRAEL-EUROMART JOINT COMMITTEE OPENS TALKS ON TRADE IN BRUSSELS

BRUSSELS, April 12. (JTA) -- The Joint Israel-Euromart committee opened discussions here today on trade developments arising from the agreement signed last year between Israel and the European Economic Community.

During its two days of meetings here, the committee will review relations between the EEC and Israel since the agreement was signed last June, and will deal with the problems of Israeli citrus exports, agricultural products and industrial goods. The possibility of widening relations between Israel and the EEC will also be discussed. The Israeli delegation is headed by Israel Ambassador Amiel Najjar, while the EEC group is headed by Axel G. Herbst, director-general of the EEC Commission.

BRITISH ZIONISTS 'DEPLORE' SOVIET TREATMENT OF JEWISH MINORITY

LONDON, April 12. (JTA) -- The British Zionist Federation adopted a resolution here last night deploring the policy of the Soviet authorities with regard to the Jewish minority in that country which has led to enforced assimilation. The resolution appealed to the Soviet Government for permission for members of separated families to reunite with their relatives abroad.

Thant Urged to Persuade U. S. S. R. to Soften Attitude Toward Jews

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General U Thant was called upon here today to use his good offices to persuade the Soviet Government "to soften the rigors of their attitude to their Jewish minority." In a petition presented today to Ambassador Franklin Williams, a member of the United States delegation to the United Nations, with a request that he submit it to Mr. Thant, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, which last week sponsored the "Jericho March," on the Soviet Mission to the United Nations, appealed to the Secretary-General to bring the tragic problem of Soviet Jewry to the forefront of world public consciousness.

Stanley Lowell, chairman of the New York City Human Rights Commission, presented the petition to Ambassador Williams. Also taking part in the presentation were Mrs. Constance Baker Motley, Borough President of Manhattan, and Rep. William Fitts Ryan, of New York.

BRITISH JEWS DISAGREE ON VALUE OF ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BILL

LONDON, April 12. (JTA) -- A number of British Jewish leaders voiced concern here today over the possible effects of the new Government bill aimed at outlawing racial discrimination and incitement, fearing that it may do more harm than good.

Sir Bernard Waley-Cohen, former Lord Mayor of London, said that the new legislation may damage the good relations between Jews and others "by projecting a sense that Jews are different from others." His view was shared by Robert Carvalho, former president of the Anglo-Jewish Association, who doubted that Jews need such protection, and said he did not think "this bill will be of any use in any case." Taking issue with those objecting to the bill, Dr. S. Levenberg, British Zionist leader, said that, although there seemed to be loopholes in the bill, "we are pleased that the Government of Harold Wilson has kept its pledge; we wanted such a bill for a long time."

PRINZ CHALLENGES U. S. A. ON ARCHIVES RECORDING NAZI WAR CRIMES

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress, reiterated charges today that officials of documentation centers administered by the United States are "unreasonably" limiting access to vital materials bearing on the guilt of Nazi war criminals. The principal centers are at Alexandria, Va., and West Berlin.

The charges had been voiced by Dr. Prinz last week, when he returned from a visit to West Germany, and denied by a State Department spokesman. Today, he cited as evidence of the authenticity of his allegation the fact that representatives of the World Jewish Congress, AJC and students at the Free University of West Berlin were denied the opportunity to search those archives. Recently, he said, a number of American civic groups were rebuffed when they sought to verify through the archives information about a German cultural attaché, stationed in this country, who was suspected of having been a Hitler Storm trooper during the Nazi period.

SOLEMN RITES MARK MEMORIALS FOR HOLOCAUST VICTIMS, WARSAW HEROES

LONDON, April 12. (JTA) -- A series of solemn rites marking the 20th anniversary of the liberation of wartime concentration camps by Allied armies, and commemorating the 22nd anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto rebellion, was being conducted today, and scheduled for the rest of the coming week, in many places in Europe.

At Cracow, Poland, a conference was opened by the International Underground Movements and the Auschwitz Survivors Organizations, following ceremonies at the nearby site of the Auschwitz concentration camp, in which 22,000 Jews and Poles participated. Addresses were delivered during that demonstration by Poland's Prime Minister Joseph Cyrankewitz and Soviet General Gontcharov, who commanded the troops that liberated Auschwitz 20 years ago. Fifteen youths from Israel participated in these rites, as well as representatives of the Jewish underground in France.

In West Germany, former inmates of the Dachau concentration camp joined representatives of the Judenring, the West German Jewish youth organization, at services in Dachau. Among the principal participants in the ceremonies were Gen. Albert Guerise, of Belgium, president of the International Dachau Committee, and Bishop Johannes Neuhaeusler, of Munich. In Bonn, it was announced that, in ceremonies to be conducted next week at the site of the Bergen-Belsen murder camp, the principal speaker will be West German President Heinrich Lübke.

In Italy, the 20th anniversary of the liberation of Ravenna was celebrated in that city. A large Israeli delegation participated in that demonstration. Among the Israelis were former members of the Jewish Brigade who had fought with the Allies in the liberation of Ravenna. Jewish prayers were recited at the military cemetery, where 40 members of the Jewish Brigade had been interred, and a marble stone brought from Israel was erected in memory of those heroes.

JOHNSON COMMEMORATES VICTIMS AS SURVIVORS MEET IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 12 (JTA) -- Some 2,000 persons, many of them survivors of Nazi concentration camps, took part here yesterday in observances marking the 20th anniversary of the liberation of the camps by the Allied armies in the spring of 1945. Sponsored by the Council of Organizations of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, the gathering was addressed by U. S. Senators Everett Dirksen of Illinois and Jacob K. Javits of New York, and by Undersecretary of Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr.

President Johnson sent a message to the meeting, lauding the work of the UJA for its humanitarian work and paying tribute to the martyrs of the holocaust. "The memory of those who had died in this century as victims of prejudice and oppression," declared the President, "must be honored by us all through unceasing vigilance against bigotry and bias in our society, and unrelenting efforts to assure a world of peace, freedom and justice for all peoples without regard to creed, color or continent of their birth."

Former inmates of six of the most notorious Nazi death camps lighted giant memorial candles at the meeting, which was presided over by retired Judge Jonah J. Goldstein. The candle lighting followed the chanting of the El Mole Rachmin memorial prayer for the dead by cantor Moshe Koussevitzky. The audience then joined in reciting the kaddish.

The 2,000 participants at the gathering adopted a resolution calling upon the memberships of their organizations for an all-out effort in support of the nation-wide UJA 1965 drive for \$109,400,000.

Film Depicts History of Polish Jews from Middle Ages to Warsaw Ghetto

A feature-length documentary film, depicting 1,000 years of Jewish life in Poland, was given its first screening in New York today. Written by S. L. Schneiderman, a Jewish author and journalist, and entitled "The Last Chapter," the movie, produced by Ben-Lar Productions, traces the history of the Polish Jewish community from the Middle Ages to the Warsaw Ghetto uprising in 1943, and comprises material gathered from many sources, including captured German films and others taken by members of the underground. Narrated by Theodore Bikel, the film portrays the prewar life of the Jews in small Polish villages, as well as in such famous Jewish centers as Warsaw, Vilna, Cracow and Bialystok.

ORTHODOX GROUPS SUPPORT NEW EDUCATION ACT; RAP JEWISH CONGRESS

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- Four national, Orthodox Jewish Organizations called today for the American Jewish community's broadest support of the new federal aid-to-education act, signed into law by President Johnson yesterday. They also voiced strong criticism of the American Jewish Congress, which had announced it would seek prompt court action to test the constitutionality of the law on the grounds that it violates the traditional American principle of separation of Church and State, by offering aid to parochial schools and by other provisions.

The statements were issued on behalf of the organizations by Rabbi Morris Sherer, executive vice-president of Agudath Israel; Rabbi Israel Miller, president of the Rabbinical Council of America; Moses I. Feuerstein, president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America; and Amos Bunim, national chairman of Torah Umesorah, the national society for Hebrew day schools, which represents 300 such schools in the United States. The ruling bodies of all the Orthodox groups held special, emergency meetings today on the issue.

All the organizations criticized the AJC for its stand on the new law, asserting that the AJC does not speak for the entire Jewish community in this country. They hailed the new act as a historic milestone in providing for aid to the educational needs of all children, without discrimination as to the type of school they attend.

HERZLIAH HEBREW TEACHERS INSTITUTE MAPS PLAN FOR JOINT DEGREES

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- The Herzlian Hebrew Teachers Institute will seek an arrangement with a local college or university to be able to confer joint degrees on the graduates of the institution. This was announced here by Rabbi Anaron Horowitz, dean of Herzlian, at the school's annual dinner in honor of Jacob Goodman, prominent philanthropist and Jewish communal leader in celebration of his 70th birthday.

Mr. Goodman, who was presented with a scroll of honor by Jules L. Freed, president of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, was cited for his "great deeds for the Zionist movement, for Hebrew education and culture and for the maintenance and development of Herzlian Hebrew Teachers Institute." The dinner was also addressed by Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg and by Abraham Goodman, brother of the guest of honor.

'HUMANE SLAUGHTER' BILL INTRODUCED IN N. Y. STATE LEGISLATURE

ALBANY, April 12. (JTA) -- A bill to outlaw inhumane handling of food animals prior to their slaughter, previously cleared with Orthodox Jewish leaders, was introduced here today with the backing of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Thus far, there has been no formal position taken on the bill by most Jewish organizations, which are expected to act on the issue later this month.

The measure offers "an economical, defensible and persuasive law" to eliminate two features of slaughterhouse practice--the shackling and hoisting of conscious large beef animals in preparation for slaughter, and the use of manually operated hammers, sledges and pole axes, the ASPCA said in a memorandum accompanying the bill. The association said it felt that the proposed bill, which would go into effect January 1, 1966, overcomes the objections that have led to the defeat of more than a dozen humane slaughter measures in the Legislature since 1959.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE FOR ISRAEL PRESENTS AWARD TO EX-SENATOR KEATING

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- Former U. S. Senator Kenneth B. Keating was honored today with the annual Freedom Cup Award of the Women's League for Israel, at the organization's 37th anniversary luncheon. Sen. Keating, who was cited for his long and distinguished career of public service, was presented with a hand-tooled silver kiddush cup, by Mrs. Jack Starr, president of the Women's League. Guest speaker at the luncheon was Israel's Consul General Katriel Katz.

Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the Women's League's projects in Israel, which include five Y-style homes in Israel's principal cities.

12-CITY ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM MAPPED BY WORKMEN'S CIRCLE

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- The Workmen's Circle will inaugurate a 12-city campaign for Jewish cultural survival in this country, Jacob T. Zukerman, president of the Jewish labor and fraternal organization, announced here today. The program, he said, will emphasize activities in the English language, in addition to activities in Yiddish, bringing the organization's experience to college campuses, cultural centers and community centers. Pilot cities under the program, he said, will be Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, Boston, Cleveland, Atlanta and Washington, D. C.

N. Y. STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE MILTON M. WECHT DEAD AT 80

NEW YORK, April 12. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for retired State Supreme Court Justice Milton M. Wecht, who died at the age of 80. He was a founder of the United Jewish Appeal, active in the affairs of the Federation of Jewish philanthropies, and a vice-president of the Brooklyn division of the Jewish National Fund.